**Constructing of a level crossing at Chilkia**

1414. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of commuters have to cross the rail line at village Chilkia, Tehsil Ramnagar of North Eastern Railway;

(b) whtther it is also a fact that the affected residents have approached the authorities during the last few years for construction of a level crossing; and

(c) if BO, what action is being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) A demand wias received from Gram Pradhan, Chilkia through North Eastern Railway Users Consultative Committee for construction of a level crossing at KM. 72/3-4 between Kashipur and Ram Nagar Stations. This was not agreed to because two level crossings viz. level crossing No. 50-C and level crossing No. 49-C, one on either side of the proposed site of new level crossing, are already existing at about 875 mts. and 400 mts. away. Villagers can conveniently use these level crossings to cross the track. Provision of another level crossing in close proximity of these level crossings will be hazardous to both rail and road traffic and is therefore not considered desirable on safety consideration.

**Extension of Howrali-Madras Corromondal Express upto Trivandrum**

1415. SHRI JOYANTA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to extend the Howrah.Madras CoiTomondal Express upto Trivandrum;

(b) It not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have any plans to introduce any train from Howrah to Trivandrum; and

(d) how many daily trains are running from Howrah to Trivandrum?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRIC. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Operational and resource cons. trints.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Nil. However, Trivandrum-Guwahati weekly Express 6521/63122 are running through Howrah.

**रेलवे में चूककर्ता ठेकेदारों के विरुद्ध कार्यवाही**

**1416. श्री ईश दत्त यादव:**
**चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह:**

क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या रेलवे परियोजनाओं के कार्यों में ठेकेदारों की विफलताओं का पता चला है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में जोनवार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) सरकार द्वारा इन ठेकेदारों के विरुद्ध क्या कार्रवाही की गई है ?

**रेल मंत्री (श्री सी. के. जाफर शरीफ):** (क) से (ग) सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

**Earnings of Railways through freight and Parcel Charges**

1417. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS $b_e$ pleas, ed to state:

(a) what is the total estimated amount of earnings of Railways through freight and parcel charges, during the current year zone-wise;